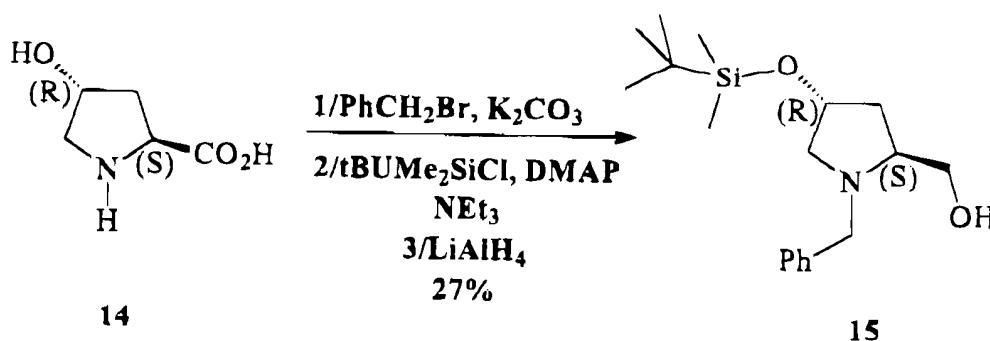


## In the Specification:

On page 91, line 8, immediately following "in ethanol." please insert the following:

-- synthesized according to the synthetic scheme set forth by Cossy *et al.* (Tetrahedron Lett., 1995, 36, 549). As set forth in Cossy *et al.*, N-Benzyl-(5R)-O-(t-butyldimethylsilyl)-(3R)-hydroxypiperidine is prepared as follows.

Compound 15 was synthesized from (4R)-hydroxy-L-proline 14 in three steps.



The ring expanded product 17 was obtained with a yield of 89%. After

deprotection of

the alcohol at C-5 the  $\alpha_D$  was equal to +151° (c= 0.5, ethanol).